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By Order,
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Hongkong, May 22, 1903. 1100

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Hongkong, May 18, 1903.

RUSSIA'S DEMANDS IN CHINA.

The N. C. Daily News of the 18th inst. says:—We printed a few days ago the Japan Mail's version of the demands of Russia. In the Peking and Tientsin Times, they appear with additional corrections ascertained from private sources, as follows:—

- 1.—That the Three Eastern Provinces (Manchuria) shall never be sold or leased to any foreign Power. (Other Power is the exact expression in the Jiji's message, but that would be too blunt, we imagine, even for Russia's present methods. Japan Mail.)
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Intimations.

BANK HOLIDAYS.

IN accordance with Government Notification No. 318, the undermentioned BANKS will be CLOSED for the transaction of Public business on MONDAY, the 25th inst.

For the 'Chartered Bank of India, Australia and China,'
T. P. COCHRANE,
Acting Manager, Hongkong.

For the 'Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation,'
J. R. M. SMITH,
Chief Manager.

For 'The National Bank of China, Limited,'
H. PINCKNEY,
Acting Chief Manager.

For 'The Mercantile Bank of India, Limited,'
EVAN ORMISTON,
Manager, Hongkong.

For the 'Banque de l'Indo-Chine, Hongkong Agency,'
G. MAYER,
Acting Manager.

For the 'Yokohama Specie Bank, Ltd.,'
TARO HODSUMI,
Manager.

For the 'Imperial Bank of China,'
B. W. RUTTER,
Manager, Hongkong.

For the 'Deutsch-Asiatische Bank,'
H. FIEGE,
Manager.

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BANK OF SOUTH CHINA,
J. W. R. TAYLOR,
Managing Director.

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E. F. GROS,
Manager.

For the International Banking Corporation,
C. R. SCOTT,
Manager.

For the Bank of South China,
J. W. R. TAYLOR,
Managing Director.

Hongkong, May 19, 1903. 1053

VICTORIA PRECEPTORY AND PRIORY.

A REGULAR MEETING of the VICTORIA PRECEPTORY AND PRIORY will be held at the Victoria Hall, on Tuesday, the 26th inst., at 8.30 p.m. precisely. Visiting Sir Knights are cordially invited to attend.

Hongkong, May 22, 1903. 1098

A. S. WATSON & CO., LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the EIGHTEENTH ANNUAL ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Company (under its Registration) will be held at the Office of the Company on THURSDAY, the 28th inst., at Eleven o'clock in the forenoon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Managers together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1902.

The REGISTER OF SHARES will be CLOSED from FRIDAY, the 22nd inst., until SATURDAY, the 30th inst., both days inclusive, during which period no Transfer of Shares will be registered.

By Order,
A. H. MANOELL,
Sec. clery.

Hongkong, May 15, 1903. 1049

CHINA LIGHT AND POWER CO., LIMITED.

NOTICE.

THE SECOND ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING of Shareholders in the Company will be held in the Company's Office No. 14, Des Voeux Road, on SATURDAY, 31st inst., at 11 a.m. for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the General Managers for the year ending 31st December, 1902, and electing a Consulting Committee and Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 25th inst. to 30th inst., both days inclusive.

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,
General Managers.

Hongkong, May 18, 1903. 1071

THE CHINA-BORNEO COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE STATUTORY MEETING of the Company will be held at the COMPANY'S OFFICE, No. 4, QUEEN'S BUILDINGS, on SATURDAY, the 6th June, at Noon.

J. WHEELLEY,
General Manager.

Hongkong, May 22, 1903. 1103

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Hongkong, March 24, 1903. 648

Intimations.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

IT IS HEREBY NOTIFIED that the VALUATION LISTS for the Colony for 1903, will be open to inspection at the Treasury for Twenty-one days, commencing on TUESDAY, the 26th May, 1903.

By Command,
F. H. MAY,
Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Hongkong, May 20, 1903. 1095

NOTICE TO MARINERS.

No. 173 (SPECIAL).

CHINA SEA.

SHANGHAI DISTRICT.

Temporary withdrawal of the Tungsha Light-vessel.

NOTICE is hereby given that, on or about the 1st June next, the Tungsha Light-vessel 'Tungsha' will be removed for repairs, and that the temporary Light-vessel 'Lee Yuen' will take her place.

The 'Lee Yuen' is a three-masted steamer painted black, having a black funnel with a yellow band round it. Her mainmast, which is surmounted by a Black ball, has a yard across, from each arm of which two fixed lights will be suspended in a vertical line. The two upper lights will be Red and at a height of 15 feet above the sea, and the two lower ones White at a height of 35 feet.

In clear weather, the Red lights should have a range of visibility of 5 miles, and the White ones a range of 10 miles.

A White light will also be exhibited from a signal on the foremast at a height of 5 feet above the rail, to show the direction in which the Light-vessel is heading.

During foggy or thick weather, a gong will be sounded at intervals of one minute.

If the Light-vessel be driven from her proper position to one where she is of no use as a guide to shipping, the usual lights will not be exhibited, but a small fixed Red light will be shown at each end of the vessel; the hull will be struck as soon as possible and, until struck, it will be surmounted by a Red flag.

N.B.—It may possibly happen that one or both of the vertical lights on one yard-arm of the temporary Light-vessel may be obscured by her own masts or funnel to a vessel that is approaching her when she is swinging across the channel.

J. T. ELDRIDGE,
Acting Deputy Coast Inspector.

Imperial Maritime Customs,
Coast Inspector's Office,
Shanghai, 18th May, 1903. 1101

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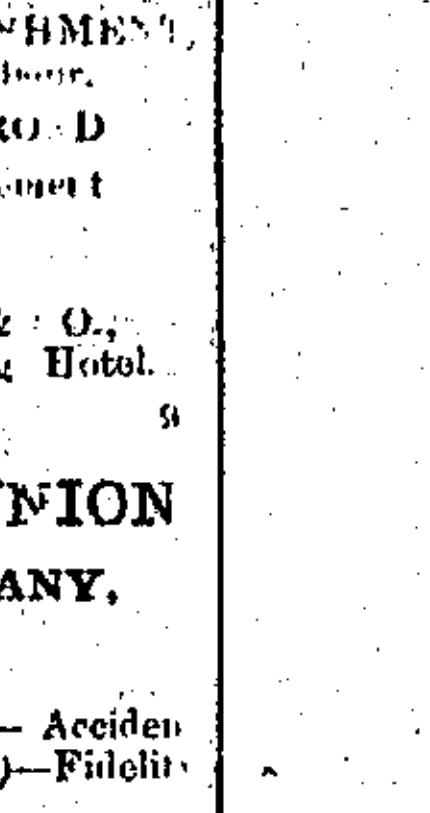
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Miscellaneous.
Goods per Bengo Maru not cleared on
this date subject to rent.

General Memoranda.

TUESDAY, May 26.—
2.30 p.m.—Action of Sundry Goods &
Electro, &c., at Messrs Hughes &
Hough's Sales Rooms.
8.30 p.m.—Meeting of Victoria Propriety
and Property at Freemasons' Hall.
Goods per *Stirling* undelivered after
this date subject to rent.
THURSDAY, May 28.—
11 a.m.—Meeting of Shareholders of A.
S. Watson & Co., Ltd., at the Company's
Office.
Register of Shares of A. S. Watson & Co.,
Ltd., closed from this date to 30th
May, inclusive.
Transfer Books of China Light & Power
Co., Ltd., closed from this date to the
30th May, inclusive.
SATURDAY, May 30.—
11 a.m.—Meeting of Shareholders of A.
S. Watson & Co., Ltd., at the
Company's Office.
SATURDAY, June 6.—
Noon.—Meeting of Statutory of The
China Light & Power Co., Ltd., at the
Company's Office.

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THE CHINA MAIL.
HONGKONG, SATURDAY, MAY 23, 1903.

EDITORIAL COMMENT.

As we anticipated in our
editorial remarks on the
19th inst., Dr Atkinson,
Principal Civil Medical
Officer, was able, at the
Sanitary Board meeting
on Thursday, to give an explicit explanation
regarding the meeting of property
owners summoned by the Secretary of
the Board. The meeting was arranged
for nothing more or less than to give
the Government an opportunity of explaining
to the Chinese the effects of
certain clauses in the new Public Health
and Buildings Ordinance, and had the
word 'Chinese' been inserted in the
advertisement before the words 'property
owners,' all misunderstanding would
have been avoided, in all probability.
Apart from the advertisement, however,
it is a pity the Sanitary Department
did not take the opportunity
afforded by Mr Shelton Hooper's letter
of enquiry to make it perfectly clear
beforehand why the meeting was called.
Surely that was the obvious course to
pursue. Instead of informing the
Secretary of the Land Investment Com-
pany for what purpose the meeting was
called, the letter signed by the Secretary
of the Board and initiated by the Principal
Civil Medical Officer only tended
to obfuscate the matter. In that letter,
Mr Woodcock wrote: 'I am not in a
position to state what will transpire at
the meeting.' As a matter of fact, it
did not require the power of prophecy
to foresee what was to transpire at the
meeting. It was, in reality, an adjourned
meeting called for the object of
allowing the proper Government Officials
an opportunity of explaining to the
Chinese property owners the force and
effect of two clauses of the new Ordinance.
It was known to the Officials,
therefore, that the meeting had no
power to pass resolutions calling for an
amendment of the Ordinance, that is to
say, resolutions that could be considered
binding upon any property owners not
represented at the meeting. The meet-
ing was called for a definite object, and
had Mr Shelton Hooper's letter been
answered categorically, then all
misunderstanding would have been
avoided. We have no desire to
make capital out of Dr Atkinson's
public statement. We refer to this
subject again merely to reiterate what
we said on the 19th inst., that we did
not believe the suspicions that were
abroad had any real justification, and
to express our appreciation of the
Government's desire to avoid unne-
cessary friction in applying the new
Ordinance. Everybody who has the
welfare of the Colony at heart must
sympathise with the officials who have
to administer the new sanitary laws.
They are face to face with some of the
gravest problems of the officials of this
Colony ever had to solve. They will
require all the help that men of affairs
can afford them; and for that reason
it would be well to avoid, in future,
any semblance of undue secrecy where
important interests are involved.

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LOCAL AND GENERAL.

Opium Smuggling.
On the 10th inst., one of the engineers
of the *Pha Chem Kiao* found 140 tins of
opium concealed in the engine room of that
vessel while she was lying in Bangkok.
The discovery was reported to the opium
farm.

Post Office and Empire Day.
Monday next, the 25th inst., having
been declared a Public Holiday, the Post
Office will open for 1 hour only, i.e., from
8 a.m. to 9 a.m. There will be a delivery
at 9 a.m., and a clearance from the whole
of the Pillar Boxes as on Sunday. The
Night Box will be kept open. The Money
Order Office will be entirely closed.

Band Performance.
The following is the programme of
music to be played by the Band of the 1st
Sherwood Foresters, on the New Parade
Ground, on Monday next, the 25th inst.,
from 5 p.m. to 6.30 p.m.:—
March—'The Star and Stripes for
Ever'.....Souza
Selection—'Coppelia'.....Delibes
Overture—'Faust'.....Schubert
Selection—'The Girl from Iquitos'.....Coryell
Troop—'Spring Flowers'.....Bradley
Selection—'Plantation Song'.....Chambers
GOD SAVE THE KING.

Suicide at Manila.
Mr Charles O. Keene, for a long time
connected with the Adjutant-General's office
at the Estado Mayor and lately with the
Quartermaster's department, committed
suicide on May 17 at No. 637 Calle
Bilbid, Manila. The deceased shot himself
through the head, with a 45 Colt's revolver,
and died later at the Civil Hospital. He
left a note addressed to Sergeant J. D.
Williamson, in which he stated that he had
decided to rid himself of all his troubles
and requested the forgiveness of his
friends, who, he wrote did not understand
circumstances.

Mr Drummond Hay.
Mr Drummond Hay, who came to China
for 7 years ago, left Shanghai for Hong
Kong on the 10th inst. He spent
thirty years in Shanghai and ten in Japan.
At one time, he managed Messrs Wheelock
& Co.'s business, at another time the busi-
ness of Messrs Childs, Macgregor & Co.,
and of late years he has been the General
Manager of the North-China Herald Office,
Secretary of the Chamber of Commerce,
and Honorary Secretary of the Lyceum
Theatre Trust. He held high rank as a
Freemason, was at various times secretary
of the Scotch and English balls, and was
for a long time secretary and a most val-
uable member of the A.P.C.

R.M.S. 'Sirius.'
The second-class cruiser *Sirius*, in
command of Captain Charles H. M. Moore,
arrived at Colombo on the 7th inst. from
home on her way to relieve the *Pique*, her
sister-ship, on the China station. The
Sirius, which is of 3,600 tons displacement,
9,000 indicated horse-power, with a speed
of 19.75 knots an hour, was built at
Elswick in 1890. During the last six years
she has been doing nothing, being placed
on the reserve at Devonport, where she
was commissioned on the 17th of last
month to relieve the *Pique*, Captain H. C.
Reynolds, which had been at China since
1900. The *Sirius* is armed with two 6-in.
guns, eight 4-pounders, one 3-pounder
and four machine guns, besides four
torpedo tubes. On the present voyage
she left Plymouth on the 31st March, and
on the way out touched at Gibraltar,
Malta, Port Said, Suez and Aden.

The Straits and its Currency.
We have referred from time to time to
the Commission which has been enquiring
into the Straits Currency question (says the
Times of Ceylon), and as long back as
January, it will be remembered that the
Chamber of Commerce in Singapore recom-
mended the Government to make gold the
basis of currency, and to fix the price of
exchange. To-day our special telegram
tells us that the Currency Commission has
also reported much in the same way. The
Commission holds that a gold currency is
practicable for the Settlement, and its fol-
lowing recommendation is probably the
same as the one made by the Chamber of
Commerce, viz., that the British sovereign
should be the basis of the currency. The
Currency Commission referred to sat some
months ago and examined witnesses of
every shade of opinion. It is scarcely
probable that the rupee will be utilized, for
the low value of the rupee alone is con-
sidered in many quarters an insuperable
obstacle, great as the advantages in some
other directions undoubtedly are. What is
probable is that a Straits dollar, to be fixed
in the neighbourhood of the present ex-
change, will replace the British dollar,
which is current throughout the Far East.
The process is familiar, and was successfully
adopted in India. It is one of starvation;
that is to say, the Straits must
cease to issue British dollars and so create
a scarcity which should have the gradual
effect of fixing the exchange.

Remember the Name.
YOU may have an attack of diarrhoea,
dysentery, or pain in the stomach
one of these days, and it will be well to
remember the name of a medicine that will
cure you. Say it slow—Chamberlain's
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ASK ANYONE.
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and see what they say.
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LOCAL AND GENERAL.

Notes by the Way.
The temporary appointment of Mr T.
H. Hammer as Assistant Secretary to
the Sanitary Board has been gazetted.

It is officially notified that Mr P. N.
H. Jones, lately engineer of Water and
Sewerage Works in Trinidad, has been
appointed to be Assistant Director of Public
Works in the Colony.

Empire Day.
Royal salutes will be fired at noon on
Monday, Empire Day, by the Royal Artil-
lery, in conjunction with the Navy.

Movements of Warships.
H. M. S. *Europa* steamed out of
Port yesterday morning, homeward bound,
with the relieved crews from the *var* as
paying-off ships. H.M.S. *Sirius*, com-
manded by Captain Moore, is due to arrive
on the China Station soon.

Japanese Acrobats.
The troupe of Japanese acrobats, at
present performing opposite the Central
Market, continue to do good business.
Hundreds of people have witnessed their
performances, and have apparently enjoyed
them thoroughly. In the evening, the
performances are from 7.30 to 11.30. The
Company will remain in the City for a week
or two.

A Trio of Drowning Cases.
A native boat woman accidentally fell
from the side of her village boat last night,
and was drowned. The body has not been
recovered. A native employee of the
Quarry Bay Ship building yard, while
walking along the side of the yard, dropped
his purse, which contained some coppers,
into the water. Taking off his jacket, he
plunged into the water in search of the
lost purse, but was never seen to rise
again. He was drowned, but his body has
not been found. A native lad, of the Yau-
nui San-Mills was drowned yesterday at
a salt water pool at Yau-nui. The lad was
described as a school boy.

Alva the Great.
A short scene is being commenced at
the City Hall to-night by Alva the Great.
The programme is one which contains a
number of interesting performances. Alva
the Great is described as the premier
modern American magician, ventriloquist,
and hypnotist, and the entertainments
supplied by him in every part of the East
are described as simple marvellous. He is
supported by Mlle. Reux, the Parisienne
thought-reader, and M. de Varville, the
spiritualistic medium, who will present
what is described as the 'Brigand's Box,'
and the dramatic illusion 'She,' in which
a lady is depicted as being consumed in
flames on the stage.

The Plague.
The plague returns for the 24 hours
ended noon to-day, shows a total of 27
cases, 22 of which proved fatal. With the
exception of three cases, two Europeans
named George Williams, of No. 28 Austin
Road, Kowloon, which proved fatal, Con-
stable Appleton (166), of the No. 7 Police
station; and a Portuguese woman named
Mrs G. Thomas, residing at No. 103
Macdonnell Road, Kowloon, all the other
cases were Chinese. Constable Appleton
was removed to the Government Civil
Hospital last week suffering from an attack
of fever, and was brought out if the insti-
tution in order to give evidence at the
recent trial at the Supreme Court. Of the
four men, who were charged with man-
slaughter, and he then appeared quite well.
He was taken from the Hospital, to the
plague institution at Kennedy Town,
yesterday.

Big Fire at Manila.
Manila was on May 19 visited by a
fire that virtually wiped out Trozo district
and a goodly portion of Yondo. It was
(says the *Manila Callan*) one of the
greatest spectacles ever witnessed, but
left in its wake a scene of desolation hard
to describe, and has caused untold losses
to the unfortunate who resided in the path
of the awful destroyer. At a low estimate
2500 nipa shacks and other residences were
destroyed, and at least 12,000 people were
made homeless and absolutely bankrupt by
reason of the total loss of everything they
possessed in the world. The fire presented
two alarming features at the outbreak, the
first being its proximity to Bilbid prison
and the part-destruction of San Lazaro
Hospital. Bilbid was prepared for any
emergency, and only a sudden change in
the direction of the wind saved it from
destruction. San Lazaro fared worse and
at one time it was thought would be com-
pletely destroyed. The Board of Health
Office and Pail System was totally
destroyed, although every one employed in
the place made a desperate fight to save
the property.

What it will do.
Pain, Balm, burns, bruises, and
scalds in less time than any other treat-
ment. It is 'antiseptic,' that is, it
prevents putrefaction; and by so doing
generally prevents an unsightly sore
remaining after the injury is healed. For
lame back, lumbago, and neuralgia, Pain
Balm has no equal. It has the quality of
'getting to the right spot.' No sufferer
from these distressing affections should
defer a trial of this remedy. One applica-
tion gives relief. Try it. For sale by all
chemists and medicine vendors; WATKINS
Ltd., General Agents.

TELEGRAMS.

[REUTERS' SERVICE.]
FRANCE.
London, May 21, 1903.
The French Chamber has approved of
the Government's policy in ecclesiastical
matters.

THE TRANSVAAL.
At the opening of the enlarged Legisla-
tive Council of the Transvaal, Sir Arthur
Lawley said that besides a diamond mine,
which promised to eclipse anything yet
discovered, copper and iron mines were
likely to be developed on a large scale.
The absence of prominent Boers at the
meeting was noteworthy.

Mr Brodrick stated in the House of
Commons that there were at present 33,500
troops in South Africa, 4,000 of which
were extra and would be withdrawn.

In the House of Commons, Mr Cham-
berlain said that the revival of the old
Transvaal anti-Asiatic law was necessary,
pending legislation, owing to public feeling.
The law would be enforced leniently and
with due regard to educated Asiatics and
vested interests of traders.

**A RICHLY DECORATED IRISH
BARONET.**
The following letter appears in the *Ulster
Echo* of 21st ult., over the signature of Mr
Lo Pin:—
With reference to the interesting para-
graph which appeared in the *Ulster Echo*
of the 15th inst., stating that the King of
Italy al proposes to invest Lord Milner
with the Grand Cross of the Order of Christ
of Portugal, I wish to point out that should
his lordship receive this coveted distinction,
he will not be the only British subject so
honoured of recent years, because Sir
Robert Hart, Bart., G.C.M.G., M.A.,
LL.D., the British Consul-General at
Shanghai, was invested with the Grand Cross
of the Order of Orange Nassau. Further-
more, your distinguished fellow-country-
man has been a Grand Officer of the Order
of the Crown of Italy since 1894; a Grand
Officer of the Legion of Honour, France,
since 1895; and in the year 1895 Belgium
honoured him by creating him a Grand
Officer of the Order of Leopold. The fore-
going illustrations do not exhaust the
roll of this richly decorated Irish Baronet's
honours, as so far back as 1870 he was
made a Chevalier of the Order of Wasa,
Sweden-Norway; and in the year 1900 the
Order of the Crown, first-class, Prussia,
was sent to him at Berlin by the German
Emperor. He is also, despite his Protes-
tantism, by direct gift of the Pope, a
Commander of the Papal Order of Pius 'X.'

In conclusion, Sir, I wonder whether any
other living Irishman—or Englishman,
either, out of the ranks of Royalty—holds
so many decorations as does Sir Robert
Hart?

Hongkong Christian Union.
Monday being Bank Holiday, the
usual prayer meeting will not be held.

Renovations at the Supreme Court.
The offices at the Supreme Court are
at present undergoing a much-needed
renovation. Paint and putty are being
applied liberally, and in a few days the
place should present a far more substantial
and a cleaner appearance than it has done
for many years past.

The Pacific Cable.
The cable between *Anglia* and *Colonia*,
owned by the Telegraph Construction and
Maintenance Co. of London, passed through
Singapore last week on their way to the
Pacific to lay the new cable. The *Anglia*
is a vessel of 4055 tons displacement and
the *Colonia* 4977 tons. They are commanded
respectively by Captain J. E. Leach and
Captain Woodcock. Each vessel carries a
complement of nearly 150 men. The *Anglia*
is to lay cable, valued at £215,000, between
Manila and Guam, and from the latter place
she will go to the Midway Islands in the
Pacific and lay cable from there to Honolulu
—this portion of the cable being valued at
£165,000. This will complete the cable from
San Francisco to Manila, the American
cable being already laid from San Francisco
to Honolulu. The *Colonia* assists in the
work of laying the cable. The *Colonia* is
valued at £150,000, and before leaving
home was insured; the cable being insured
at 25s. per cent.

The Honest Japanese.
A foreign lady and gentleman, says the
Kobe Chronicle, returned to their hotel
in Kobe on 12th inst. after a journey by
rail from Osaka. On reaching the hotel the
lady discovered that her purse containing
over yen 100, was missing. Whether it
had been left in the jinkisha at Osaka or
in the train was not known. Inquiries
were made at Sannomiya Station, where
nothing had been heard of it and where the
owner was advised to apply at the station.
Here the purse was immediately forthcoming.
It had evidently fallen from the lady's
pocket, and was found in the railway
carriage, the attendant having handed it
over to the station-master. The lady was
naturally delighted, and as a token of her
gratitude offered a substantial reward to the
attendant; but this was declined, the offi-
cial only expressing pleasure that the lady
had recovered her property. It is gratify-
ing to find such honesty and courtesy
amongst the employees and officials of the
line, and the lady is anxious that her
gratitude may be publicly expressed
through our columns.

SHERWOOD FORESTERS.

Annual Regimental Sports.
President—Lieut. Colonel H. C. Wylly,
O.B.
Committee:—Captain P. F. R. Anley,
Lieut. B. W. Paul, 2nd Lieut. J. H. W.
Becke.
Sub-Committee:—Sergeant Major W. J.
Roberts, Sergeant J. Buckley, Sergeant J. Jones,
Sergeant J. Murphy, Sergeant W. Butler.
Starter:—Captain P. F. R. Anley.
Judge:—Lieut. B. W. Paul, 2nd Lieut.
J. H. W. Becke.

The annual Regimental Sports of the 1st
Battalion Sherwood Foresters were held at
the New Parade Ground, yesterday after-
noon. The heats were run off on Thursday
afternoon. Quite a large gathering of
soldiers and spectators assembled at the
ground, but before the conclusion of the
sports a heavy thunder-shower spoiled the
fun and drove the spectators to shelter.

The programme was made-up of sixteen
items. The Obstacle race, which was most
amusing, was successfully won by Sergeant
Jones. The band of the Regiment was in
attendance. Among the spectators were Sir
William and Lady Gascoigne.

The results were as follows:—
10 YARDS RACE—1. Sergeant Westerman,
2. Pte. Savage, 3. Corp. Brittain.
BOMBING RACE (100 yards)—Sergeant Jones,
2. Corp. Percott, 3. Pte. Savage.
TWO-OF-WAR—1. B. Company, 2. H.
Company.

BOYS' RACE—1. Naden, 2. Kennedy, 3.
Wheeler.
HONGKONG DERBY (100 yards)—1. Sergeant
Jones' team, 2. Pte. Stevens' team, 3.
Pte. Clarke's team.

QUARTER MILE—1. Sergeant Bedford, 2.
Bandman Humphreys, 3. Pte. Lawson.
MILE RACE (open to all European troops
in the Garrison)—1. Pte. Chambers, 2.
Gnr. Longman, 3. Pte. Barrett.

SACK RACE—1. Pte. Harrington's team,
2. Sergeant Murphy's team.
SQUAD RACE (100 yards)—1. Sergeant
Westerman, 2. Gnr. Randall, 3.
Sergeant Carbury.

REVILLE RACE (100 yards)—1. Pte.
Stainbury, 2. Lance-Corp. Butler, 3.
Pte. Elmer.
OAKLEAF RACE (1 mile)—1. Sergeant Jones,
2. Bandman Humphreys, 3. Pte.
Stainbury.

HALF MILE RACE (open to native troops in
the Garrison)—1. Jodan Singh, 2. Sucha
Singh, 3. Jodan Singh.
TWO-OF-WAR—1. Pte. Watson's team,
2. Sergeant Jones' team, 3. Sergeant
Murphy's team.

BAND RACE (100 yards)—4. Bandman Car-
bury, 2. Kennedy, 3. Boy Piper.
PROQUER RACE (100 yards)—1. Pte. Davis,
2. Pte. Jackson, 3. Pte. Dolly.
At the termination, Mrs Wylly presented
the prizes to the successful competitors and
a most enjoyable afternoon concluded with
three hearty cheers for the Colonel.

CORRESPONDENCE.
THE SANITARY BOARD MEETING.
To the Editor of the 'CHINA MAIL'.
Hongkong, May 23.
Sir,—Truth is really sometimes stranger
than fiction,—is it not so? Can you please
inform me what is the meaning of the word
Hygiene? I ask—in the hopes that you
will afford the fullest information from your
many valuable resources for the special
benefit of the President of the Sanitary
Board, who, I am afraid, is somewhat lack-
ing in that kind of practical knowledge
which is not at yet controlled by the in-
evitable bonds of red-tapeism.

Of all the numerous measures which have
from time to time been dealt with by this
very important local function, that which
appeared in the agenda of Thursday's busi-
ness under the name of Mr Ahmed Raza-
John stands, I think, in the very front
rank as one of the most important measures
ever submitted for the consideration of the
Board.

Is it not a well known fact that during
sleep, when for hours there will be
steady and regular respiration, the body
not in the least changing its position, that
the system becomes most susceptible of
any contagion, especially from atmospheric
which might 'catch' the body, and the
lungs acting as the medium? Such being
the case, does it not therefore stand to
reason that to purify the night air is of
the very first importance?

In dealing with Mr Raza-John's motion,
the President is reported to have said:
'that if Mr Raza-John's suggestion was
adopted it would mean that the bye laws
and conditions of the scavenging contract
would have to be amended, and it would
not improve the present state of affairs, for
the reason that the accumulation of rubbish
from Chinese eating houses and dwellings
where evening meals were partaken of would
be until the afternoon of the following day,
instead of being removed next morning, as
was done under the present regime.'

Now, in the first place, as a proportion of
the number of houses which would benefit
by Mr Raza-John's suggestion, what might
be the percentage of 'eating houses and
other dwellings' such as Dr Atkinson re-
ferred to? I venture to say not nearly as
high a percentage of the dwellings at present oc-
cupied by the 300,000 Chinese residents in
this Colony. And, to meet this, say one
percent, a special arrangement might be
made for a second removal of rubbish early
in the morning.

By this operation the city should indeed
become clean and healthy.
Strange as it may appear, the peculiar
nature of the amendments in the bye laws
and conditions of the scavenging contract
referred to might be taken as suggestive
of opposition to Mr Raza-John's measure
in the direct interest of the Chinese eating
houses and other dwellings which the
President has endeavoured to champion.
Whereas it must be common knowledge
that these are the very places which
require cleaning out as often as possible.
The atmosphere in them, especially during
the night, is always foul in the extreme.

SPECTATOR.
Children when Teething.
HAVE more or less diarrhoea, which
cannot be checked effectively as the
cause

NOTES AND NOTIONS.

[By DR. L. L. L.]

SANITARY BOARD AND MOSQUITO-BREEDING—A DECK OF THE BOARD POLICE PRESENTS—THE CHURCH AGAINST THE PUBLICANS.

To the unprejudiced observer who has calmly studied current events during the past few weeks, it would appear as though many of the residents of Hongkong have not a full and complete appreciation of the Board which has been appointed to rule over their sanitary destinies. Some have been railing and storming against the members in terms of indignation most profound; have rushed headlong into print, and, in columns of small cold type, above names de plume almost as convincing and influential as *Pro bono publico* and *Paterfamilias*, have sought to pillory the Board and hold its doings up to public ridicule and contempt. Let it be once understood that the writer does not hold a brief for the Board. He is animated by nothing more than a desire to see the Board have a fair and square deal—to point out to the dull minds of those who see it not that the members are acting strictly within their province, and in accordance with their obvious duty, in assisting in the cultivation and propagation of a healthy breed of mosquito on the island.

If we are to have mosquitoes, why not have the best mosquitoes—something that we can be proud of, that we can boast about? In the hands of the Sanitary Board, we have reposed the power of life or death so far as the mosquito is concerned, and in their wisdom they believe it is better to breed a physically capable variety of artery-prober and malaria-diffuser than a sickly kind that would be of no use to anyone. It is, therefore, the duty of every loyal citizen to abide by their decision. They have, in solemn convocation assembled, reasoned it out that the mosquito is not to be annihilated by such obsolete methods as a frontal attack with scientific appliances. Even if they have not experimented themselves, they have the experiences of the whole of the wide world to go upon, and that should be good enough for anyone. They see that it would be impossible to totally annihilate the insect by keeping the gutters dry, and the waterways free of stagnant pools, and so they have decided that if the things cannot be totally wiped out, the citizens should not, for the sake of just a million or two of mosquito lives, be deprived of the sight of moisture in the gutters and pools in the waterways. If measures are taken which only kill a percentage of mosquitoes, it renders the remainder weak and inefficient, and it is a very poor and pitiful picture a proud Hongkongite would make in the eyes of any visitor from Lucknow—where they boast of their mosquito breeding prophesies—if he could only show a limpid dyspeptic creature as a sample of the Colony's production. For the sake of this, feelings of the people, therefore, and in the interests of the good name of the Colony, they feel it to be their bounden duty to breed something that not even the humblest amongst us should feel ashamed of. That high motive, too, should be applauded and not deprecated, and in their efforts the Board should have the assistance and co-operation of every loyal subject and progressive citizen.

If the Board ran along blindly, and without regard to the Colony's standing, they might destroy the whole of the mosquitoes and cockroaches on the island, and thus deprive the people for ever of something tangible to gloat at and complain about. Were they not cautious they might pour kerosene in the stagnant pools, and prove residents to burn sulphur in their homes, or take some other unwise steps which would have the effect of destroying the charming insect life which now makes the eventide harmonious, and the insects which cheer about in their unchecked myriads to the glee of every entomologist, and who is not an entomologist here?

From mosquito breeding to criminal-catching is a fairly long leap. The latter is suggested by the capture and conviction of one of the gang who perpetrated the Gage Street murder, and is mentioned as a means of bringing to notice a peculiarity in the conduct of the Hongkong police authorities. It might be straightway explained that the peculiarity is not confined to the police officers of this Colony, but is a characteristic of every force in every portion of the world. It is the spasmodic manner in which they go about their business. When criminals such as murderers, incendiaries, and robbers, and kidnappers, and plague-corps dumpers, and every other class in the category of law-breakers are waiting to be arrested, the police by some strange freak of reasoning turn their attention to things of a trivial character, and after a plunge into the misty domain of time, rake out some mouldy, moth-eaten Ordinance and discover thereby that otherwise harmless citizens have been for years breaking in a shocking manner an important law of the land. The peculiarity comes in the fact that even after the discovery they never carry out their work as they should do, but merely conduct a crusade against one section of the offenders and leave the others—generally the worst—to go free.

That was brought prominently under notice but a brief while ago when it was discovered that the publicans of the Colony had been guilty of an awful breach of the licensing law for about ten years by not placing a board in a prominent position of their premises announcing that they held a license to retail fermented spirituous liquors. Numbers of publicans were punished for the *crime*, but there the Colony are houses where the law is broken in a much worse manner; so much so, in fact, that the revenue suffers considerably, and although the police know of their existence, yet they have done nothing to put a stop to the breach of the law of which they are guilty. In the houses referred to, sly grog-selling is carried on in almost a hushed fashion, and there must be a considerable amount of champagne and other liquors sold contrary to the provisions of the licensing ordinance. When the police have time, and have exhausted other matters, they might continue the crusade they commenced with the attack on the publicans.

THE YARN MARKET.

In their fortnightly report dated the 22nd May, Messrs Chawsee Pallejee and Co. write:—

Since the issue of our last circular dated the 8th instant, our yarn Market took a turn for the better in place of a weak feeling as stated previously. Limited arrivals, coupled with a brisk demand from the interior, and telegraphic advices of a firm market at Bombay, emboldened dealers who operated to a very large extent, and prices in many instances show an advance of from fifty cents to two dollars per bale. Imports freely met the market, and reported the first offers made by Chinese, in order to secure the present favourable exchange. Out of the total settlement of about 14,350 Bales reported below, about 6,000 Bales have been contracted for forward deliveries. Prices of No. 20s show little or no improvement, except in a few instances where they were placed at 2½ to 1 better. No. 16s move to a fair extent at former rates. Prices of No. 12s show an advance of 51 in almost all sales. The bulk of the business is reported in No. 11s which fetched 8½ to 2 better. Nos. 8s and 10s move slowly at current rates. The Market closes steady. Sales during the fortnight consist of about 60 Bales of No. 10s—30 Bales of No. 8s—300 Bales of No. 12s—1,225 Bales of No. 16s—1,619 Bales of No. 20s—2,925 Bales of No. 20s—in all about 14,350 Bales. Arrivals per Steamers *Bombay Myna*, *Lightning*, *Nubia*, *Kinship*, *Vindicta* and *Chennai*, about 14,400 Bales. Shipments to Shanghai and the Northern Ports about 2,500 Bales. The unsold stock is estimated at about 24,000 Bales.

Local Productions.—No sales were reported in the market. Sales of about 1,200 Bales of No. 20s, are reported at \$128 to \$131 per bale.

HONGKONG SHARE REPORT.

In their weekly share report dated 22nd May, Messrs Benjamin, Kelly and Potts state:—

We have again very little to report, business generally remaining quiet owing to the continued stringency of the money market.

Banks.—A moderate business in Hongkong and Shanghai Banks has again been put through at \$70. The sterling rate in London is unaltered at 253. Nationals have advanced and can be placed at 82½.

Marine Insurance.—Unions remain weak and are on offer at 52½. China Traders have been taken off the market in small parcels at 60 and are still enquired for.

North China, Yangtze and Canton have all improved, and are in request at 215, 210, and 212½ respectively.

Fire Insurance.—Hongkong Fire after sales at \$310, are wanted at \$315. China Fire have been the medium of a small business at \$33, and are now in demand at \$34.

Shipping.—Hongkong, Canton and Macao Steamers have been dealt in to a large extent at 827. Indo-China have changed hands at 807 and at equivalent rates for forward. Star, Far East (old issue) have again been bought at 827 cum dividend, the market closing in strong request at 823 for the old and 813 for the new shares ex the dividend of \$120 and 60 cents respectively, paid yesterday. Shanghai and Szechuan Cargo Boats and Co-operatives have undergone no change. It has been decided to merge the three foregoing concerns into one under the name of The Shanghai Tug and Lighter Company, Limited, on the 31st instant.

Refineries.—A few China Sugars have been disposed of at \$1.6. Luzons are neglected at \$12.

Mineral.—Pumice remains quiet with sellers at \$9. Roads are offered at \$91 and Java have sellers at \$13. Chinese Engleberts have dropped to 1½, 7, and are offering at the rate.

Ducks, Pheasants, and Geese.—Hongkong and Whampoa Ducks have been paired with at \$213 each and \$214 for the settlement. Pheasants are reported in sold the North at 187½. Kowloon Wharfs are in the market at 889. Sales have been made of Hongkong Wharfs at the reduced rate of 184.

Land, Hotels and Buildings.—Hongkong Lands are obtainable at \$170, after small sales at the price. Shanghai Lands have further depreciated and have been sold at 110. Hongkong Hotels are much firmer and have changed hands at \$147, closing in demand at \$118. Aster House Hotels are wanted at \$20. Hongkong Estate have been done in a small way at \$11, and there are further enquiries at this rate. China Privateers have changed ownership at \$10 and \$8.90.

Cotton Mills.—Evo remain dull at 39, and International are procurable at 38.33. Lau-Kong-Mow have fallen to 38.4, at which figure sales are reported. Hongkong Cottons are steady at \$16.

Char Companies.—Sumatra are to be had at 160.

Miscellaneous.—Green Island Cements continue in strong demand and large quantities of alabaster can be placed at \$23. A. S. Watsons are with above at \$16.5. Watsons (old issue) are quoted at \$13 with sellers all round at this rate, but unfortunately no buyers. The new shares remain in request at \$7. Langkates have been placed in Shanghai at 250.

BRIDGING THE HARBOUR.

Proposal of the Harbour Master.

In his annual report for 1902 the Harbour Master, Hon. R. Murray Rumsey, writes:—This is probably the last Annual Report of this Department which will be signed by me, and being so, I should like to be allowed to make herein a few remarks on the subject of the Bridge across the Harbour which I advocated in the Annual Report for 1901. I have been favoured with information concerning a bridge about to be built across Sydney Harbour, which is to be 3,600 feet long, and 170 feet above water level. This height is necessary to allow of the passage of ships under the bridge, a requirement not called for in our case, owing to our good fortune in having an entrance at each end of the Harbour. The Sydney bridge crosses a portion of the Harbour where the depths are from 6 to 12 fathoms, and is to carry two lines of railway, two road ways of 30 feet each, and two footways of 12 feet each, so that the deck cannot be less than 130 feet wide, 45 feet wider than our new Praga. Tenders have been called for, and so far as my information on that point goes, it seems that those received vary between 1½ and 1½ millions Sterling.

Hongkong's need for easy communication between the two sides of the Harbour is, in my opinion, very great, probably greater than that of Sydney. Shipping has increased steadily during the last 20 years from 13 million tons to 21 million tons, entered and cleared. In 20 years also (1881—1901), the population has increased from 164,402 to 283,975. During the last 10 years (the period during which the statistics have been kept in the Harbour Department) cargo, landed and shipped, has increased from 41 million tons to 81 million tons, and the local passenger traffic in Junks and Launches has risen from 44 million to 72 million.

The cry is for more room. Both for inhabitants and for shipping. From a sanitary, economical, and commercial point of view, it is desired. More room for shipping can only be obtained by dredging some of the shallow parts of the Harbour, more room for the inhabitants is already at hand on the Kowloon side of the water; I think it would be well, instead of providing further space for the increasing population by means of reclamation from the water area, already insufficient for the needs of shipping, all reclamation at or about the harbour frontage now proposed, and the New Territory utilized and developed, a course which cannot be thoroughly carried until communication is made easy.

Hongkong has arrived at its present state of prosperity principally by reason of its position, and, secondly, its excellent harbour. Nothing we can do or leave undone can destroy the former of these advantages, it behoves us, however, to see that it is not rendered ineffective by reason of our reducing the capability of the latter to accommodate the ever-increasing amount of shipping, which has been frequently and truly referred to as "the life-blood of the Colony."

Taking Sydney as a rough guide, I suggest that the cost of such a bridge as I advocate will be amply provided for with \$9,000,000. The present reported passenger traffic between Hongkong and Kowloon is not less than 6,000,000 annually, which I suggest, would be increased 50 per cent. by the facilities offered by the bridge to the increased population of Kowloon and the New Territory, for once the bridge is decided on, the other side of the Harbour will begin to increase, and the development will go on side by side with the construction of the bridge. Assuming, then, 9,000,000 passengers annually, and further assuming 25 per cent. of them to be of a class capable of paying a very modest toll of five cents, and the remaining 75 per cent. to be coolies at one cent, this would give an annual income from the bridge toll of \$18,000,000, which will be two per cent. on the suggested cost of \$9,000,000. In addition there would be a toll on vehicles, animals, etc., the value of which cannot now be estimated, but would be considerable.

I am not prejudiced, possibly other means are forthcoming for securing the desired end. A tunnel has been suggested, and no doubt offers some advantages not possessed by my scheme, but I am a stickler for the old mode of the bridge. However, whether the means adopted be bridge, tunnel, or anything else, I submit confidently that any communication must be had with Kowloon, unless we are content to spoil our natural harbour, while leaving Kowloon and the New Territory undeveloped.

WEATHER REPORT.

The following notice is issued by the Hongkong Observatory:—

On the 23rd at 11.55. The barometer has fallen over Formosa and the Loochoos, pressure is highest over the 2nd coast of China, and relatively low between Formosa and the Loochoos.

Fresh N.E. winds in the Formosa Channel, and moderate S.W. winds over the N. part of the China Sea.

Forecast:—moderate N.W. winds; dull, rainy.

The Dumping of Plague Bodies.

A Chinese addresses a letter to 'Anti-Dumping' in the following terms:—

'You are quite right in saying that we are more afraid of the Sanitary Board than the folk disease plague itself, and the few suggestions made are indeed very sensible. Bravo! Mr Anti-Dumping! We ought to thank you for bringing this to the notice of the Government.'

Sick Babies in Summer.

It is during the warm months of summer that mothers have to be most careful of their little ones, and at the first unusual looseness of their bowels should give the little sufferer a dose of Chamberlain's Colic and Diarrhoea Remedy. This remedy has been in constant use for over thirty-five years, and is without question the best and safest remedy in use today for Diarrhoea and all Bowel Complaints. A bottle should be kept in every house for such emergencies. Get it today; it will save trouble later on. For sale by all chemists and medicine vendors: WATKINS Ltd., General Agents.

THE SHIPPING OF THE PORT.

An Increase for Last Year.

The report of the Harbour Master for 1902 has been issued, and shows that the total tonnage entering and clearing during 1902 amounted to 21,528,780 tons, being an increase, compared with 1901, of 2,263,306 tons, and the same number in excess of any previous year. There were 51,542 arrivals of 10,783,502 tons, and 51,547 departures of 10,754,278 tons. Of British Ocean-going tonnage, 3,010,441 tons entered, and 3,005,148 tons cleared. Of British river steamers, 1,775,060 tons entered, and 1,780,238 tons cleared. Of foreign ocean-going tonnage, 1,273,817 tons entered, and 1,278,719 tons cleared. Of foreign river steamers, 95,761 tons entered, and 95,099 tons cleared. Of Steam-launches trading to parts outside the colony, 97,607 tons entered, and 97,497 tons cleared. Of Junks in foreign trade, 1,613,895 tons entered, and 1,621,314 tons cleared. Of Junks in local trade, 916,016 tons entered, and 903,313 tons cleared. Total British Ocean-going tonnage reported 27.04 per cent. and river and foreign 16.22 per cent.; foreign ocean-going 30.25 per cent.; steam launches in foreign trade 0.91 per cent.; Junks in foreign trade 15.04 per cent.; Junks in local trade 4.45 per cent.

Six thousand one hundred and ninety-two (6,192) steamers, 47 sailing vessels, 1924 steam launches, and 17,878 Junks in foreign trade entered during the year, giving a daily average of 71.2, as against 67.6 in 1901. For foreign constructed vessels, the daily average would be 17.1 as against 14.8 in 1901.

A comparison between the years 1901 and 1902 shows that for vessels under the British flag there was an increase of 297 ships of 353,148 tons in the latter year. River steamers, however, were responsible for an increase of 307 ships of 157,539 tons, which leaves a net decrease of 10 ocean-going ships with an increase in tonnage of 200,609 tons. The fall of 10 ocean-going vessels is a genuine decrease, which loses a portion of its significance when the increased size of the vessels, as evidenced by the increase of tonnage, is borne in mind.

For vessels under Foreign flags, we find a large increase, viz., 1,267 ships of 1,358,700 tons, of which 301 ships of 33,627 tons are due to River Steamers, one new French vessel having started to run in 1902, and the French merchant having run more often in 1902 than in 1901.

The actual number of ships of European construction (exclusive of Steamers and Steam Launches), entering the Port during 1902 was 718, of which 358 were British, and 360 Foreign. The 358 British ships entered 4,047 tons, giving a total tonnage entered of 6,284,258 tons. This, compared with 1901, 5,784,258 tons, shows an increase of 499,999 tons, or 8.6 per cent. more, and gave a total tonnage entered by 728,926 ships.

The 358 British vessels carried 2,650 British Officers and 21 Foreign Officers, and the 368 Foreign ships carried 2,737 Officers of whom 233 were British born.

Inspector Macdonald is making a satisfactory recovery from his attack of plague.

Temperature.

HONGKONG, May 23, 1903.

Barometer—9 A.M. ... 29.78
Do. 1 P.M. ... 29.79
Thermometer—9 A.M. ... 77
Do. 1 P.M. ... 77
Do. 4 P.M. ... 72
Do. (Wet bulb) 9 A.M. ... 72
Do. 1 P.M. ... 72
Do. 4 P.M. ... 72
Do. Maxim. ... 75
Do. Minimum overnight 73

THE DANGERS OF OVER-STUDY.

REMARKABLE LETTER.

That overwork, anxiety, grief, engender a morbid condition in which the body becomes weakened and exhausted is only too true; and if this condition is allowed to continue the worst results must ensue. In this connection the following letter will be read with interest, as it refers to an important scientific discovery:—

12, Dalgreen Gardens, Kensington, W., May 1st, 1900.

Gentlemen—Two months ago I was recommended to take Stearns' Wine of Cod Liver Oil, and I have great pleasure in informing you that I have derived far more benefit from it than from any other preparation I have taken.

I was treated by various doctors, but nothing they prescribed gave me real relief, and you may imagine, therefore, how grateful I feel that I became acquainted with your preparation, which, in my case, has proved invaluable.

Yours faithfully,
GERTRUDE L. CLARK.

Stearns' Wine of Cod Liver Oil contains all the essential curative principles of the oil without the nauseating oil itself. Thanks to the great scientific discovery above referred to, the valuable extractive principles are entirely separated from the oil and combined instead with a rich full-bodied wine, to which is added peptonized iron. The result is a liquid which is at once a tonic, tissue-builder and a wonderful nourisher. For all kinds of wasting diseases—impairment, consumption, debility, exhaustion, etc.—Stearns' Wine of Cod Liver Oil is acknowledged by the medical profession to be an ideal remedy, completely superseding ordinary cod liver oil or its emulsions.

Sold by all Chemists and A. S. Watson & Co., Ltd.

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WE BEG TO NOTIFY that on and after the 1st January, 1903, the Subscription to the China Mail will be as follows:—

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BAIN AND REID,
Proprietors.

To-day's Advertisements

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Particulars and Conditions of the Letting by Public Auction Sale, to be held on Tuesday, the 2nd day of June, 1903, at 3 p.m., at the Office of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor, of One Lot of Crown Land, below Mount Kellett Road in the Colony of Hongkong, for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the King, for one further term of 75 years.

Particulars of the Lot.

No. of Lot.	Locality.	Boundary Measure (Acres)				Annual Rent (Dollars)	Lease Term (Years)
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All Creditors are hereby required to send their Claims to the Undersigned before the said date.

Dated this 23rd day of May, 1903.
J. W. NORTON-KYSHIE,
Official Administrator.

IMPERIAL GERMAN MAIL LINE.

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BEN LINE OF STEAMERS.

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All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Undersigned on or before the 6th June, or they will not be recognized.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 29th inst., at 3 p.m.

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Chi Can	15	荔枝乾
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ROBERT G. McEWEEN,
Inspector in charge

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